REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: VioladesExtremoSpecial_Promo

Other Known Title: VioladesExtremoSpecial_Promo[1].mpg

Format: Computer Moving Image File

Director/Author: Not Stated

Producer/Publisher: Not Stated

Country of Origin: Not Stated

Language: French

Applicant: The District Court At Auckland

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive Note: Not Applicable.

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

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Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

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Unexcised version of publication:

	Component	Running time
Feature:	VioladesExtremoSpecial_Promo	0.30
Total running time:		0.30

Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons
for classification:

The publication entitled *ViokadesExtremoSpecial_Promo* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The publication is a computer moving image file which contains short clips of explicitly depicted sexual activity between men and women, some of which present as violent and forceful rather than consensual. The publication promotes and supports the use of violence to compel women to participate in, or submit to, sexual conduct. The inclusion of material which presents as non-consensual and violent in a publication that is intended for viewer sexual arousal has the effect of legitimising sexual violence against women as a fantasy, and the availability of the publication may encourage attitudes that lead to sexual violence.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the use of violence to compel any person to participate in, or submit to, sexual conduct.